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one who asks

call

Judgment as, [illegible]

What will be my income [illegible]

calculate on Clergy [illegible] from 800 to [illegible] for [illegible]

if I receive one half in Can[illegible]

considerable

moved to [illegible] I shall be much better

[illegible] I go [illegible]

[illegible] I have no fear of failing [illegible]

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delighted [illegible] in the Channel of

[illegible] To quit this interesting subject [illegible]

tell me a word or two [illegible]

[illegible] or a [illegible] especially

[illegible] as I had like to

[illegible] Mr Brown

[illegible] York a few days [illegible]

[illegible] about 35. I intended some

Thing more for Mr Cooper but concluded to wait till I saw

from Mr C.

from him. Mr B will [illegible] charge in case one

can be put in readiness by Saturday or the longest

[illegible] from Mr will [illegible]

Post Mr [illegible]

E. Emmons

Augst. 19. th 1828

Rec'd. Sept. 13th!

Ans'd

Madison Dec 2 1832.

Dear Sir

I forwarded by Mr George Griffin a copy of the Manuscript of Mineralogy which I suppose you have received. It is not exactly the work I wish, but upon the whole the matter it contains is all of it, valuable. There are some mistakes for which I do not hold myself responsible, particularly those which relate to the position of some of the figures. To tell the whole story would not be expedient. but for the vindication of my own character for accuracy, perhaps you will smile at the word "accuracy" I remark. that the Manuscript was ready in May, that Major Webster & Kinnes employed a Major to cut the figures, but the first set of cuts were such outlandish things that I rejected them accordingly a new engraver was employed who produced a more tolerable set of figures, & now sometime in July the printing went on. After the first sheets were sent me according to engagement. but soon the Cholera broke out in Albany. Nothing more was forwarded & I suppose the printing of the work was suspended. I heard nothing of it for four weeks when behold I received 200 pp of it finished. The gentleman who looked over the proof sheets is a fine accurate man but as we sometimes say is no "judge of Pictures" hence the figures in quite a number of instances are out of position. Another thing, the printer disobeyed my orders in relation to the size of the type in the Introduction & it obliged me to insert in

notes some of the most important matter in the book, viz the classification

It was my intention to condense the book, make it small & portable. & Chap.

-at in Iron, points I am not satisfied - You see I have made a venture

by adopting the Classification &c of Mohs. it is the only way of treating

the Science. notwithstanding the many barbarous names. - In ——

Another Edition will give me an opportunity to improve & correct. the work

till then I hope you will speak in as favorable terms of it as Conscience

will permit. Let me hear as soon as Convenient from you. Tell me

your opinion of it, but do not use any of your sarcastic words such as

Ah!! funny! (& the like — I am pursuing in my own way the different

branches of Nat History, particularly Ornithology, & have already made

quite a collection, but I labour under so many disadvantages, that -

were it not for a good stock of enthusiasm (which comes on rather too much

in paroxisms) I should faint by the way. I have hoped to go into

N. york this fall, but probably shall not as the season is advancing

& a cold uncomfortable state. I wish you would call in at Mr Hilton

or Mr Pike's & engage for the College a pair of Bass Reflectors. I

shall want them in 3 or 4 weeks. — Do this & you will oblige the College

& myself. I am now printing a table of Mineralogical Synonimes a

thing much needed. & which I will send you ere long. I am also making

a Catalogue of our Birds for Prof. Hitchcocks Survey). — Lots of other

things in Contemplation. &c I remain yours

Truly

E. Emmons

(Prof. Torrey)

I would like a copy of the Manual to the Library of Congress if it would be at all accepta
=ble. — —

Dr. Ebenezer Emmons

Oct. 2nd 1832

Rec'd Oct. 4th.

Ans'd Oct. 18th

John Torrey M.D. Prof —

the University of the State of New York

N. York

and

Received by Prof. A. Hopkins

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My Dear Sir

By Mr Hopkins I this ult. duly have
the pleasure of acknowledging the receipt of a Specimen
of Vancouvia coccinea for which you have my sincere
thanks — I have just rec'd a fine box of Animals to send
to Europe & you will confer on me a favor by directing
Mr H in regard to the plan & person to whom they must
better be forwarded — I wish exceedingly to see you
& hope to at some future time — I remember with great
satisfaction your former kindness & hope still to retain
a share & other & profession of friendship

Believe me ever yours

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
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E Emmons

Williams College August 21 1834

I have also just rec'd a small package of Birds — My wish is to obtain 2 or more Stated European correspondents. I think my opportunities for exchanging will enable me to give satisfaction

Rec'd Nov. 14th

Ansd. March 8th 1835

Wms College Nov 5th 1834

TORREY BOTANICAL CLUB
HERBARIUM
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My Dear Sir

The Bearer of this Dr Morgan of

Pownal who has been in the practice of Medicine for

10 or 12 years I believe. He now proposes to brush up

his medical knowledge by spending the Winter either

in N York or Philadelphia - I advise him to stay

in N.Y. tho I know we very great profit is to accrue

immediately to you Institution as I suppose Graduates

are not charged much for the attendance. Yet

there is a salutary influence growing out of the thing

which is of some consideration. Dr Morgan is

a highly respectable practitioner. Any advice to

him as regards the best course he should take pursue

this winter will confer a favor directly on him &

indirectly on me as his Friend. —

I was about writing to you by mail as a note from Dr

M was handed to me by a Messenger from him requesting
a letter to you - I shall hastily say a word or two about
myself - tho I shan't say anything - My North &
Indian I call rather a failure. I paped up & thro
the North Lakes in a Bark Canoe with
a Native of the Forest who was on his way to the hunting
grounds. I changed my object. thought I should be able
to procure Skins & Skeletons of most of our Fur and animals
as well as the more rare bird. A Moose was a great
desideratum for our Museum - but I did not get
such a one as I wanted - but I have a Red Deer pre-
-sent of both a Skeleton & Skin next winter when
he returns for which I am to pay £4. I examined the
region around Nelson Lake & saw many rare things as I
thought in and State unfit for transportation.
I hope to make something from my exploration yet
the region is entirely barren of Minerals - but in the

Lean Plants & Birds or the same kinds are plenty

Next year I mean to visit the White Mountains & Winnipiseogee Lake & some other Lakes in that vicinity for the sake of the fresh water Shells & plants in the marshes I wish you could plan your way also to come here & we would take my own Horse & Wagon & visit them places which are considered as the most interesting for Naturalists.

I forwarded by Mr Starkweather's Express a small package of Mine which I hope you have ere this received. I had no good Exhibits - Any Faith which I can & you will be done with please -

I hope you will find time to shew me a line by mail soon - I Remember me to Mrs Torrey & The recollection of former favors seem freshly to my mind & I esteem it as worthy of frequent remark that I know your kind Friendship - & Esteem

Yours E. Emmons

Prof J. Torrey M.D.

Excuse Pen My Scrawl. It was written in much haste

Prof S Torrey

University of Vt Govt

Rec'd. Feb 29
Ans'd. March 7th

Williams Colly Feb 21 1836

My Dear Sir

You well Know that friends are of no use, unless they can some way or other serve us. The great benefit of having friends is that they may do us good. I Know that benefits can often be reciprocal & the great benefit of society are that there may be reciprocity of action. As regards ourselves, however, the relacity I claim you as a friend, I cannot see that favors can be mutual. I may be ever be thankful, & that is your pay. I may make some equivalent, but probably can never render you the same kind of service that I am about to ask of you. I will tell you in plain Yankee English what I wish, & you may tell me in the same language if you like, whether it is consistent to grant my request & without offending me. whether you answer be yea or nay. will you give me a letter saying that I am a Geologist & Physician a wish that I may be employed in the State Survey? Mr Van Rensellaer of Albany I expect will, or may possibly recommend me to the Executive & I wish to show him that you are at least willing it should be so. Now this is, I am not a citizen of the State of N York, & I expect fewthers of those who are, will & they ought to have the preference over foreigners. But let me take a chance with the rest. - Permit me to say one thing in my own favor as a plea for my suit. & that is, long service in the field. I have visited all the great formations in the New England & Middle states & I think that in Mineralogy I can be of essential service. In this business I am fully satisfied that those only ought to be employed who can make the most of the travels. They ought to know enough of Botany, to know a rare plant when they see it. & the same may be said of Zoology in its rarer kinds. - But let me not tire you. I meant to have said something or other things but it is too late in the night. I am 12 In conclusion let me assure you & your State that I can & shall be no losers & am successful - yourself & the Lyceum of N York shall have no losers & next to the consciousness of well doing you shall share in the collections made

"Inter nos"
Prof. Torrey

Yours very respectfully
E Emmons

If you see this right & prefer complying with my request I should like to have a letter may be addressed to me at Albany & a line from you to Williams Town. I shall be there in the course of March & should like to go in the company of the Professor to Saratoga Springs.

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Recd. Nov 3d
Answd. Nov. 15th

Williams College Nov 1. 1836

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My Dear Sir

I returned last week from my tour among my hills I had the pleasure of reading one from yourself. As I expect ere long to see you it will not be necessary to say any thing at this time of what relates to the business of your communication. The plants from Mr Darby. I shall be blind to see. I hope you will supply yourself with the duplicates if there are any, but dont take the last!! I will not be convenient when you come up to Albany to take them along. There is to be a meeting of the Geol & Naturalists at Albany about the 15th Nov.

I have collected all those plants in my excursion which were sent = nowhere to me. & so has Mr Hall. We shall forward them to your hands. I left a few at your house about the 1st of August. You was not at home. There was a strange ~~visitation~~ Tourist which I obtained North in the Spring. there was only one Specimen of it Mac Cotton Mountain, about the Summit with all Spring plants much the same as the White Hills &c. &c. We were too late this year

We afforded only White pine — but I am anticipated there is a harvest to be gathered; but it will require great labor to effect it. No one has ever explored the highest of those Mts. They are much higher than the Catskills, & to the Geologist they will prove the most interesting of all the highlands in the State, & I presume it will be so to the Botanist,

Another thing, will you not speak to some one of the instrument Makers & engage for me a Common Goniometer. I must have one. I may go to NY this fall if it holds out long enough. I can't stay long enough to get them made. Rogers Report & the rarity of Geological & Mineralogical Books, I want & must have — I have been quite successful in making discoveries, which on another occasion I shall be happy to communicate.

I am dear Sir Yours
Most affectionately

Prof. Torrey.

E. Emmons

Between you the I do not see how we can to get along with Dr B
the Chemist. I have small thing [illegible] but I do not want to put out
his hands this pocket the Summing up of my labours. I know
well what the effect will be finally. If [illegible] unnecessary ex-
penditure I will be followed with reputation. Yours, Thos. Waters Nos!

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John Torrey M.D.
Prof University of
New York

Recd. Apr. 15th
Mr. Cox left before I rec'd it

Albany April 2 1837

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My Dear Sir.

I wrote you a long time since in the letter I enclosed you $5 in payment of your advance & supposed you would be for or by by Dr. Beck. As you will not see it on the letter accompanying the box I am not certain I am right, as I judge only from the hasty writing on the outside relating to freight &c. I have directed Mr Cox the Bearer of this to call at your house if his time will permit & hand you this, if not to leave it at the Post Office in the Case I desire you will pay him & draft me a note soon.

I shall commence my tour of exploration early in May. As I have no encouragement that you will accompany me I shall delay deciding on the course of my route for the season until I hear from you. Dr D. Roy also proposed to journey into my section this season. It appears to me that a joint tour is quite desirable. It is on my part. & if you will communicate with Dr D. Roy on the subject & inform me of the result you will oblige me. It will be impossible to visit the interior of Maine or the high Mountains until the first of July or the last of June as they remain till about that time covered with snow.

The Governor is desirous also of visiting this Mountainous region with us. I wish, in case his private affairs can be dispos-

In case the box referred to above is in your possession I shall be much obliged to you if you will forward it to Albany care of Mr Cook at the Montgomery Hall. South Market St. or if he calls on you to put it with his care ——

Believe me Sir yours
Most respectfully
E Emmons

Will you be so good as to put My letter afloat to Dr. H. J. Brown

Mr

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Governeur June 13 1837

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
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My Dear Sir

Yours of the 5 inst was duly recd. &
I assure you I was pleased to hear from you & learn your
wishes in relation to a visit to the North.
I will tell you what my arrangements are for the present. & then
you will be able to judge of the expediency of joining me
immediately. I am exploring the more settled Townships
of St Lawrence Co. I proceed from South to North. I
am going round the North end of the State to Essex, but
do not expect or intend to do much this season except in
St Lawrence & Essex. I shall stop at some interesting places
near the Canada line for a day or so. I want however
to go back to the head waters of the Racket River or in
that direction. This I can do by procuring a guide & pack
-man. & it appears to me that you would also be much interested
in the route. The Flora of Governeur is not much different

from Berkshire. — The Trillium grandiflorum is common & what appears then to be a Lichnidea. a very beautiful thing. But you will find the Banks of the St Lawrence & the numerous Lakes rather rich — I do not yet see so many Carices &c in Berkshire — but I may) overlook many things I have a very fine quiet place in Governor. I am settled down with my family. a wife, little daughter & Son who is my assistant From this place I make my excursions in all directions. There is still plenty of room in the house for your Lady & as many Chuts as you like to bring. You will probably find me at Roger if you should come this way soon. At any rate I will remain in this neighborhood till I hear from you or see you I think & infact am confident you will find profitable employment. this way Every body is ready to put to a helping hand. I wish you would put up a few Chemical tests for Mineral waters.

The Governor & Mr MacIntyre wish very much to visit the mountains of Essex & it is probable they will in August. I shall write to both this morning & enquire what their arrangements are. They

hother enquire whether if you would not be in the party. Or had you not better come by way of Albany & see Mr MacIntyre & the Gov & make such arrangements as will suit you. There will be a great advantage in going with Mr MacIntyre. It will cost nothing) & we shall have our baggage carried to boot. & our fine tents made &c &c. You must certainly persuade Dr Dekay to come alby now for he will not be able to procure Specimens of the fish in the-se Lakes by & by — — I shall be much oblig'd to you for the Specimens of Colembo — I am much oblig'd to you for the Account of the Boy you speak of. It was received the day before I left ny But you was mystaken in supposing I was impatient to get it. I was only impatient to hear whether you had it in possession. I do not intend to trouble myself about Dr Beck. He certainly is not taking the course which will be the most honorable to him. He is no mineralogist & he has not & cannot

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But we understand what he is fishing for. that is to compile the final Geol Report. — — — Prof Hopkins will join me in August & be in my employ a month — I shall expect to hear from you immediately in case you do not come in person

Yours truly E. E. Morris

(Benjamin W. Esq) 8th
June 1 3 3

Prof John Torrey

New York

Albany Dec 13 1847

Rec'd Dec 16 in Mr. Mather -

My Dear Sir

I am in want or shall be soon of the result of your opinions on the Mind. water left in your tube - Plate I have left in Winston - the efflorescence of the Chin Satin & Cotton - but I send you my portion of Quinine. I have no more - I am almost out of tools & must have you - depend on you for a supply - & the bottle to be - only you can found the Sugar of those two - Again I want you to ask the Surgeon of the Work House - Dr Lee for me - for so far Dr Lee has been very kind to me - & also to Mr Smith - I think you will from the above - I shall have taken off my present - in this city - My family is here - I am settled down - in Convenient rooms & quiet - in Montgomery Hall - Would like to see you here - How much is to Report to you - make ? - I will Do - Dr Ray that tooth is the attendant of a horse - & the hollow tooth in my opinion is the tusk of a hog - Yet I believe there may be found Saurian bones in the formation adjacent to Montgomery - Yours Most Sincerely

E. Emmons

See last page
J.D.

JOHN TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
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Rec'd. Jany 11th

Albany Jany 9th 1838

My Dear Sir

About 4 weeks since I wrote you by Mr. Nathan who was to leave the letter at the Ly when I came. From your more than perfect silence I conclude the letter did not fall into your hands. — I wished to know something in relation to the Mint matter I left at the Laboratory. I did not expect an analysis, but merely the application of a few tests. I wish to know the Nature of these 2 Metals I put into your hands, & any thing else you was disposed to say. What I then wanted, I now want. If the inconvenience & trouble will not be too great.

I am requested by the Hon Judge Beal & Mr McIntyre in behalf of an agricultural Society to request you to give them One or More Lectures some time this winter on the Application of the Science of Botany to Agriculture or something like it. or just generally with a Subject only keep in mind the nature of the Corporation you address.

A Speedy Answer to all the above is respectfully solicited

Yours truly

E Emmons

Prof J. Torrey

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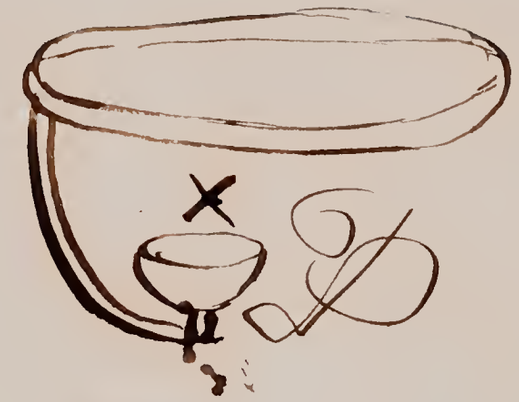

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Dear Sir

I have now sat down to write a long letter and am not interrupted in the progress of it. You remarked that my former unanswered letter pretended you one for all I say, that, that is nudity. You inquire what wonderful things I have said of the coal mines of Pa. Nothing at all. I have not charged a word with Eaton since I went there & was entirely ignorant of the fortification which you allude. I have some singular animal relicts which I discovered in that tour. but I never thought they were Rattlesnakes I wish I could transmit you a specimen. I think I will bring down with me one or two next spring. The specimens I have are not ammonits? I did not visit Orange Co. Professional business entirely prevented me I shall visit there in the Spring. The Chalcedonite is unquestionably Brongniart. The other expeditions you refer to are not made. & the caution you give me is certainly good, the reason why as you remark. that "my practice must be the main stay after all." To be plain I do not know that I shall ever obtain any situation which will free me from the necessity of the practice of my profession. Tho I have not failed in lecturing, & I shall not but circumstances are not favorable for my becoming a popular lecturer. I have one good friend here who has told me however that he has no doubt but that I shall obtain a professorship. now. nos inter nos. I know if I live it is in my power. provided I use those means in my power. The difficulty Dr Griffin would say is in not having a gift of the Gab. Before this term closes that objection will be done away. I will tell you the precise difficulty. His is in not having good views of my subjects. or in other words is, in not making preparation for my lectures. is, in a want of facts & information. I have been supplying my deficiencies in these respects this winter & when you hear from me by any of my friends they will not tell you I am dull & want animation — quantum sufficit.

Mrs Griffins accident was not dangerous only a fracture of the clavicle from which she has long since recovered. Dr Hopkins is very popular & will unquestionably succeed well. Our boy is great in ult. Mr Noble. The family appear admirably under this unparalled loss. — I rejoice in the prosperity of your College. If I live in your place I would visit Europe, if duty called. I shall be in New York in the Spring to see your new Spin things I hope. Some of the importers of Books will bring out Le Conte's Lepidoptera for I shall hope to get the work. I have now answered your letter in full & have only to thank you for it & express the hope that I may often be the pleasure of similar favors — I have said some things to be sure in this answer which a wise man would not have said but as I make no pretensions to deficiency your opinion will be made allowance.

I come now to the most glorious part of my letter. & my heart overflows with joy that I can say the following things of Zion. It is not with us as in months past. for God is now working, here in the hearts of his Children & Sinners. We have had a 4 days meeting including the Sabbath. & it does appear to me great blessings are to follow. These meetings were full; the people had a heart to give in the work & many have come forward to ask the prayers of the Church. In this incipient stage I cannot furnish many facts, to the extent of the progress of the work of grace, which has evidently begun. I feel no disposition to inquire as to the number of converts. I know there are some & many anxious. O join with me, pray for us, besiege the Throne of Grace, that this may be a perfect, a holy work. & to the glory of God. I my Dear Friend. look forward a few years. & shall we then be enjoying the light of God's Countenance! On thou Everlasting hills shall we pluck the fruits & flowers or gather the gems & diamonds? Shall we rejoice in the disclosures of the mysteries of nature & much more of redemption & eternal love? O what a theme, how full, rich, consolatory. Let us strive for a Crown of life. Let us beware, "lest a promise being left us of entering into his rest, we shall come short of it. No service so good as Christ. no Master pays so well. None deserves to trust. None has provided such accommodations as the mansions above. Let us then labour faithfully for him, that when he calls us to account for our stewardship we may be found faithful. My respects to your Lady. Sir & tell her the good news. I pray I may not too much, that I am indulged in anticipation which I shall not realize but will not retract. A revival in this place seems of infinite importance. Denied as the College is, with this County & Church every one must feel, that a revival here is of more than ordinary consequence. I hope we shall have the prayers of your Church. Mention the subject to Dr Cox. of it is best, that we may at least enjoy the benefit of his secret intercession. I will transmit to you some account hereafter the progress of this work as I have no doubt you will feel deeply interested in its extension.

The last of August next I expect to publish another Edition of my Manual. I intend to make a good work of the kind as has ever been published in this Country. My intentions will be realized provided I can obtain the general cooperation of a few of my friends. I propose adding an Appendix containing a description of some of the most interesting localities in the United States. I shall use a smaller type. give a few localities & add a few wood cuts, enlarge somewhat the descriptions. The arrangement we must leave. Give me your opinion in full of these intentions & suggest every improvement & any thing which will make the work acceptable. I want Berzelius on the blowpipe exceedingly. When can I get it!

Yours truly E. Emmons

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Single

Dr John Torrey Prof
of Chemistry in the University of N. York
New York.

Messrs Lummis
(No 8 Wall) Justus & Edg. Ins. Co.

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Amsterdam July 8. 1839

Rec'd. July 10th

LIBRARY
NEW YORK
BOTANICAL
GARDEN.

My Dear Sir

I recd from you Sometime in the Spring the proposition to furnish me the instrument for the Condensation & Solidification of Carb. Acid Gas a friend of yours who is a very clever man & worthy of patronage. I shall be glad to procure one & therefore wish you to order one for me as the letter in which you mention the name of your friend is not by me. Any improvements in the way of simplification in the mean time to be added &c.

I am now going to Jefferson Co. St. Lawrence Co. St. Some portions of Jefferson County to be visited rather an interesting Flora. Any thing which you can suggest I shall be very glad to procure for you. You may write me (if you write soon) at Watertown.

I hope to procure at this time some good Phosphate of Lime.

By the way Dr Beck writes me that the Eupyrchroite is a phosphate of Lime. Well, you will perceive that my remarks point that out, but still I suspect & still think that it contains alumine that is it is a Phos of Lime & Alumine. I have made no examination except the latter on previous to the publication of the Report for 1838.

Hastily

Yours With respect & esteem

E. Emmons

Given by A. M. VAIL. from the D.J. Crooke Collection
MAR 4- 1907

Ask for
Report of Gen. Land-
also Rep. Reports Union

Athens Dec 9 1859

Dear Sir

I have taken the liberty of inclosing to you a letter to Mr Mark Mc Brown of Scotland Co. for signature whom you have more than one mentioned to me who would dig quinine in 4 or 5 days. I find by experience that it is soon than useless to attempt to obtain of Americans Euro Peans Slaves. They will on account lend the very nature of this growing trade. I am cautious often to little than experience this fault to abandon the project in toto. If you will do me the favor of addressing my letter soon & perfectly I shall be much obliged.

I have been thinking of procuring a good Microscope & if you recommendation [illegible] have I should any opportunity present itself by which I can obtain one in your city how good & to pay it provisionally till I can remit by on the funds Our Mr Dorsey of Geo was here the other day. In return to it, [illegible] I want 2 weeks I have exhorted him to call on you [illegible] very fine, clever working man if you like right stamp. I may be of service to you, in arranging his location.

I really hope you will give us an Annual Report this year. People will be better satisfied.

In great haste

Yours

Very Respectfully

by J Terry E. Emmons

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Albany Dec 3 1841-

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My Dear Sir

I write - to [illegible] that it will not be well for the Geol Survey for you to forward Lepr Navigation Plans, Plans Specimens you design for the State Collection -

You are impowered to doubt that funds will be required to complete the work, & in order to succeed it will be necessary for each to pursue & arrange his Specimens in the Museum We must address the eye in this case & make as much display as possible - The Legislature will want to know what the $104,000 is going to. I know that it is impossible for you to come up & attend personally to this business, but you can delegate some one here - My services (under your direction) you may command. What sort of a case do you want? - Some of the rooms for the Collections are in a state of forwardness - Specimens they will be - The whole Building is to be devoted to the purpose of a state Museum - Of the rooms there are 4 below - The upper Story is to be thrown into one Room & it is sufficiently high for 2 galleries that are to be made - The Botanical Report is now printing & the Manuscript of Lepr is gone.

We are hoping we shall receive pay till the first of January but there is no prospect of a continuance of pay after that day — I think however that we ought to be appointed to take care of the Collection — make additions to or in fine, carry out the original design — — I do not know but I should like the loan — I shall like to have you say that I am a fit person — My object however at this time is to suggest the expediency of forwarding your collection for navigation closes that when the Legislature come together it may be seen that something is done —

Of Students, we have one hundred, not so many as we wished, but more than we had a right to expect —

Believe me Yours Truly
E Emmons

Prof T. Torrey.

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HERBARIUM OF THE
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

My Dear Sir Albany May 20 1872

I received your of the 16 inst but have delayed a day or two the answer in hopes of hearing something definite from the Comptroller in relation to pay — & I have been informed that the Salaries will be paid soon —

But as it regards yourself I have considered that you would be paid immediately for Dr Beck & the Botanical men paid in consideration of their being non-residents ——

I hope you will come up in the course of the week & come direct to my house No. 95 Lydius St. — I am very much obliged for the Book — very much — —

We are engaged in arranging the collection. It will occupy a long time —

The Printers are calling loudly for copy: no one at present being in the hall. ——

I do not know that I ever told you that the Governor has given me the charge of the Cabinet

I wish I might hear from you when you propose being here I propose being absent for a while soon — but should like to be here if possible when you come up. —— ——

I remain Yours truly
E. E. Dudley

John Torrey Prof
Col. N.Y. ——

My Dear Sir Albany Nov 16 1842

Your Herbarium came safe to hand. I have put the volume in the box provided.
In addition to this you have a great quantity of logs which were received in the Spring or Summer. But I have not put into the collection as I from you would give some direction how this part of the collection, or you would cut up the logs into sections — I wish you would say something about it soon —
I am anxious to put the whole collection into complete order before January, to make it as large as possible I expect or at least I fear that in the determination of the Locos to let the whole thing sleep, & that it may close a natural but lingering death, — Those of us who have put in by final characteristic Specimens will regret that such a result should follow after so much expenditure of means. — I wish you would suggest to me plan by which we may still hope to secure ~~establish the~~ a favorable termination of the survey by which I mean, rather the safe keeping of the collections & additions from time to time as ~~may~~ opportunity may favour — I hope especially you will be able to do something before the close of navigation about your drying for the collection — Still no soon what is to be done with your logs, wood now on hand. —

We have full one hundred students, but we have to give too much credit — Our class is better than last year except that we take an ~~obliged~~ more obliged to take notes. —

Yours Truly
E. Emmons.

J. Torrey Prof
Chemistry &c University
City of York.

My Dear Sir

It is [illegible] that you will furnish to the Gov. elect some account of your collection labors etc. in the form of a communication — letter or Message — Being determined to carry out what I proposed in the plan of your Department I have cut out of your Specimens of trees — Cones &c &c sections for the purpose of exhibiting the structure &c This to be done was unauthorized by yourself — but I believe there is enough left for all other purposes which you may have in view — a branch having been cut in the Spring & brought home while full of sap & with the bark on some of the logs were split rapidly —

JOHN TORREY HERBARIUM COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Any favor which I can do more your direction I shall be very cheerfully perform

But the thing I must suggest that you will furnish the Specimen Cabinets of your Assistants. Otherwise more than one half of the value will be lost

Albany Dec 24/1842 —

E Emmons

John Torrey M.D.

Mr. Charles Lowry MD
Mrs Lowry
New York

My Dear Sir

Albany May 10 1843

I ought to have written you in answer to your last, as you then supposed to be laboring under a misapprehension in regard to one or two points I thought it right & proper that you should know what was said in regard to your report - but you ought not, for that reason suppose for a moment that I expressed a concurring opinion - far from it. I had a confident that you would report what the facts upon which my opinion was founded. ——

I do think you are over anxious about your work & that, you will work it over too much, — His true man of Science and Genius must —— but it is easy for you to satisfy all - I do hope that it will not be long before you will be blown upon us - ——

I have now said the principal thing I intended, viz. that you was fully sustained when the subject of your report was alluded during the last winter, — & I shall feel always ready & bound to make you same good as far as my ability will sustain it

Yours in great haste

T. Romeyn

N Torrey M.D.

Prof. A. Torrey M.D.

Princeton

N.J.

Albany April 28/1876

My dear Sir

Your favor has been on my table unanswered for a long time. & principally for the reason that I did not know what to say or how to answer it —— I. also did Mr Hall receive a half yearly payment for writing up the report. My position was known, rather different from Mr Hall's. I was appointed that year to the charge of the Collection & supposed that at most of the pay that I received was for that service — —

The arrangement with Gov Bouck was I believe on your Motion. The only way is to come up & see to it yourself. What I would do. as soon as the Legislature adjourns when you can leave & join Young at the Governor, who by the way is a "hard head". — Any thing I can do, shall be done. but I am too late in the day to know how to procure & expedite the statement that a precedent was made in keeping a part of the Session in the evening — I Young M.D.: I am yours most respectfully E. Emerson

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